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ABSTRACT

Planning for the instructional use of technology within a modern and progressive school system is extremely complex because of the speed at which technology is advancing. The identification of strategic goals and objectives and an evolving rough map of how to achieve those goals has replaced the traditional strategic planning process. This book provides a comprehensive approach to integrating technology in school programs. Topics addressed include: the need for technology planning; organizing the planning team; establishing the team's mission; specific items to consider when planning; gathering information and resources; planning issues; technology funding issues; technology policies; evaluation and revision of the technology plan; and the implementation of technology in a school or district once it has been planned. Appendices include: the technology vision at Glenbrook (Illinois) South High School (Glenview, Illinois); goals and standards of a technology action plan; using the Affinity Diagram process to organize information; implementation timeline for setting up a new computer lab; new equipment checklist; and reprints of four related articles: "Creating a District Plan for Technology" (Kathleen Martinsen); "How To Choose a Media Retrieval System" (Joe Huber); "Planning for CD-ROM Purchases" (Nancy Graf); and "Integrating Technology into Schools--Eight Ways To Promote Success" (Bob Hoffman). A glossary of technology terms is provided. (Contains 33 references.) (SWC)

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